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STEEL SHEET AND PARTS THUS OBTAINED

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#### Title

~~METHOD FOR MAKING HARDENABLE STEEL PLATES BY FIRING,~~

~~RESULTING STEEL PLATES~~ PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING BAKE

HARDENING STEEL SHEET, AND STEEL SHEET AND PARTS THUS OBTAINED

Verification for the requested correction is indicated on the Assignment filed February 17, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

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## Assignment For Published Patent Application

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## Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This application is a 371 of PCT/FR03/02985 10/10/2003 ✓

## Foreign Applications

FRANCE 02/12753 10/14/2002 ✓

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The country code and number of your priority application, to be used for filing abroad under the Paris Convention, is **US10/531,264**

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Non-Publication Request: No

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Title

Method for making hardenable steel plates by firing, resulting steel plates  
*Process for manufacturing bake hardening steel sheet, and steel sheet and parts thus obtained*

Preliminary Class

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**PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING BAKE HARDENING STEEL SHEET, AND STEEL SHEET AND PARTS THUS OBTAINED** and executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America therefor on May 10, 2005; and

Whereas, **USINOR**, Immeuble "La Pacifique" - La Defense 7 - 11/13 Cours Valmy 92800, Puteaux, France, (assignee), desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in the application and invention, and to any United States patents to be obtained therefor;

Now therefore, for valuable consideration, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged,

We, the above named assignors, hereby sell, assign and transfer to the above named assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in the application and the invention disclosed therein for the United States of America, including the right to claim priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119, and I/we request the Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to issue any Letters Patent granted upon the invention set forth in the application to the assignee, its successors and assigns; and I/we will execute without further consideration all papers deemed necessary by the assignee in connection with the United States application when called upon to do so by the assignee.

We hereby authorize and request our attorneys SUGHRUE MION, PLLC of 2100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20037-3213 to insert here in parentheses (Application number \_\_\_\_\_ and Confirmation number \_\_\_\_\_, filed April 13, 2005) the application number and filing date of said application when known.

Date: May 10, 2005  
s/Joël MARSAL

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